

Town of Canton
Canton School Committee Minutes of the Meeting of December 17, 2015
Canton High School Distance Learning Lab

The back-up support documents for each agenda item are arranged in the order listed below.

- A. Call to Order – Robert Golledge calls meeting to order at 6:45 PM. Motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing contractual matters. It was voted by roll call 5-0.

B.

Robert Golledge	yea
Reuki Schutt	yea
Michael Loughran	yea
John Bonnanzio	yea
Kristin Mirliani	yea

- C. Open Session convened at 7:07 PM.

Present are:

Robert Golledge
Reuki Schutt
Mike Loughran
John Bonnanzio
Kristin Mirliani

Also Present:

Jen Henderson, Interim Superintendent of Schools
Barry Nectow, School Business Administrator
Brett McCloud, Recording Secretary
Staff
Students
Press

- D. Routine Matters:

1. Approve Minutes dated December 3, 2015. It was voted 5-1.
5 yeas 0 nays
2. Approve Executive Session Minutes dated December 3, 2015. It was voted 5-0.
5 yeas 0 nays
3. Approve Executive Session Minutes dated December 3, 2015 for public release.
It was voted to hold 5-0.
5 yeas 0 nays
4. Approve Bill Schedule dated December 24, 2015. It was voted 5-0.
5 yeas 0 nays

- E. Public Comments/Questions – A question was asked on the composition of the superintendent search and how parents will be selected to be on the Superintendent Search Committee. It was clarified that two parents would be selected and not one as it had stated in an email that went out prior that day. Barry Nectow stated that he would send out another email to correct the information that went out previously.

- F. Student Member Report: Michael Larson reported on school events and activities happening around the district. The Luce is celebrating being courageous this month and

3. MCAS Overview: Jayne Moore, Interim Director for Curriculum and Instruction, presented a general MCAS overview. Ms. Moore explained that the accountability reports have now been released to the public. The accountability reports show how Canton schools rank to other schools who also take the MCAS testing. The test shows patterns of strengths and weaknesses in certain areas by accountability levels. Ms. Moore ended her presentation by explaining that the MCAS are only one test and data is being collected on students all year long. This presentation will be followed up with a detailed presentation in January at the time the School Improvement Plans are presented.
 4. Free Full Day Kindergarten Follow Up: Robert Golledge provided a follow up to the Board of Selectmen discussion on Free Full Day Kindergarten funding. Superintendent Henderson reported that the School Committee will then be moving onto the Finance Committee meeting. John Bonnanzio commented that the Board of Selectmen were generally in agreement, but asked why now and not last year. John Bonnanzio explained that the needs have not changed, but the priority has changed. Barry Nectow reported that the Finance Committee chair is recommending that a warrant article without the amount on it, be submitted before the deadline which comes before the next Finance Committee Meeting.
 5. Operating Budget Kick-Off: Superintendent Henderson provided a general overview of the operating budget as it relates to the district goals. Ms. Henderson and Barry Nectow will meet with Reuki Schutt on December 18 to discuss the first overview of the budget. Mr. Nectow provided a preliminary review of the FY17 budget. He explained that all the requests will be reviewed with Reuki Schutt on the 18th and it will be decided on what to bring back to School Committee.
 6. World Language Reorganization: Robert Golledge read the School Committee's intent to reorganize the K-12 World Language Department. This will take effect on or around July 1. The anticipated change consists of creating and filling a new position of a K-12 World Language Coordinator at the same time eliminating the K - 8 World Language and 9 -12 World Language would be eliminated. The K - 12 coordinator would assume responsibility of the two eliminated positions.
- J. Business Manager's Report: Mr. Nectow provided an update on the Hansen construction. There was a meeting this week there has lots of activity surrounding the Hansen Construction Project. Drainage and underground work is being done before a foundation is set. The playground has remained open throughout the process.
- K. Sub-Committee Reports
7. TEC- Robert Golledge – Nothing to report.
 8. CPC – Mike Loughran – Next meeting will be second week in January.
 9. BRC- John Bonnanzio – Nothing to report.
 10. Wellness- Kristin Mirliani – Nothing to report.
 11. Finance – Reuki Schutt – Budget will be worked on December 18, 2015.
 12. Building Use – John Bonnanzio – Met with building use committee to discuss finding a site that could possibly be used as an administrative building. Funding for such a project was discussed as well.
 13. Policy – Kristin Mirliani – Updates to the Residency Policy will be on the agenda in January.

14. Superintendent Search – John Bonnanzio – Nothing to report.

L. Future Business – Next Meeting Thursday, January 7, 2015

M. Other Business – None at this time.

N. Adjournment – Reuki Schutt motioned to adjourn. The motion was seconded by John Bonnanzio. Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM. It was voted 5-0.

5 yeas

0 nays